

In 1959 I received a degree from Syracuse University in Broadcasting. I subsequently spent 40 years in mid size market radio. Eventually becoming an owner and operator of stations in Charlottesville. During the years that I was in the industry it was marked with a vibrant creative dynamic that provided superior service to the various communities. With the advent of the Telecommunications Bill, and the lifting of ownership regulations we have ended up with ALL of the stations in Charlottesville being owned by two corporations. Under the previous rules six stations had operating newsrooms under this "better plan" there is one. Most of the day is satellite delivered programs from who knows where, with controlled music or talk with the suppliers of the programs owning the stations. I know that the only way to get anything to happen would be to send a lot of checks to Congress and I cannot buy the results that would be best for the country